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Ustrem Barite Mine

1. The Ustrem barite mine is located about 2000 meters east of the Ustrem-Radovets road and is about half way between Ustrem and Radovets (N 41-55, E 26-31).
2. The mine is allegedly operated by the Soviets who supply the equipment, salaries, policies, etc. However, no Soviets are located at the mine.
3. [redacted] food and wages at the mine are very good. "Udarniks" can allegedly earn as much as 6000 leva a month while regular miners get 800-2000 leva per month. Trucks belonging to the mine pick up miners in Ustrem and Radovets. About 300 miners are employed. 25X1
4. Loaded mine trucks are seen continuously passing through Topolovgrad and Kharmanli. [redacted] the ore is taken to Kurdzhali. The mine trucks return empty to Ustrem. 25X1

Industry, Topolovgrad and Elkhovo Okolias

5. There are brick, tile and leather factories located in Elkhovo and a tobacco refining factory in Topolovgrad. There are granite quarries located in Granitovo village (N 42-05, E 26-35). The workers in these quarries are natives of Granitovo.

Bridges, Topolovgrad and Elkhovo Okolias

6. There is a 20 meter long stone bridge located about 5000 meters east of Khlyabovo (N 42-03, E 26-14) on the Khlyabovo-Topolovgrad road.

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| <p>A. An approximately 40 meter long steel plate girder type highway bridge</p> <p>100 centimeter high lattice type handrail; cement block abutments.</p> <p>B. An approximately 40 meter long stone, multiple arch type bridge</p> <p>C. An approximately 60 meter long stone, multiple arch type bridge</p> <p>D. An approximately 40 meter long stone, multiple arch type bridge</p> <p>E. An approximately 60 meter long wooden bridge; the bridge is supported by wooden "V" of "Y" struts set into concrete piles; wooden hand rails.</p> <p>F. An approximately 30 meter long wooden bridge of the same type as described in E; the bridge is very weak and is under repair; only one vehicle is allowed to cross at one time; a ford under the bridge has also been used during the repair work.</p> <p>G. Ustrem village.</p> <p>H. Srem village.</p> <p>I. Knyazhevo village.</p> <p>J. Elkhove.</p> | <p>25X1</p> <p>25X1</p> |
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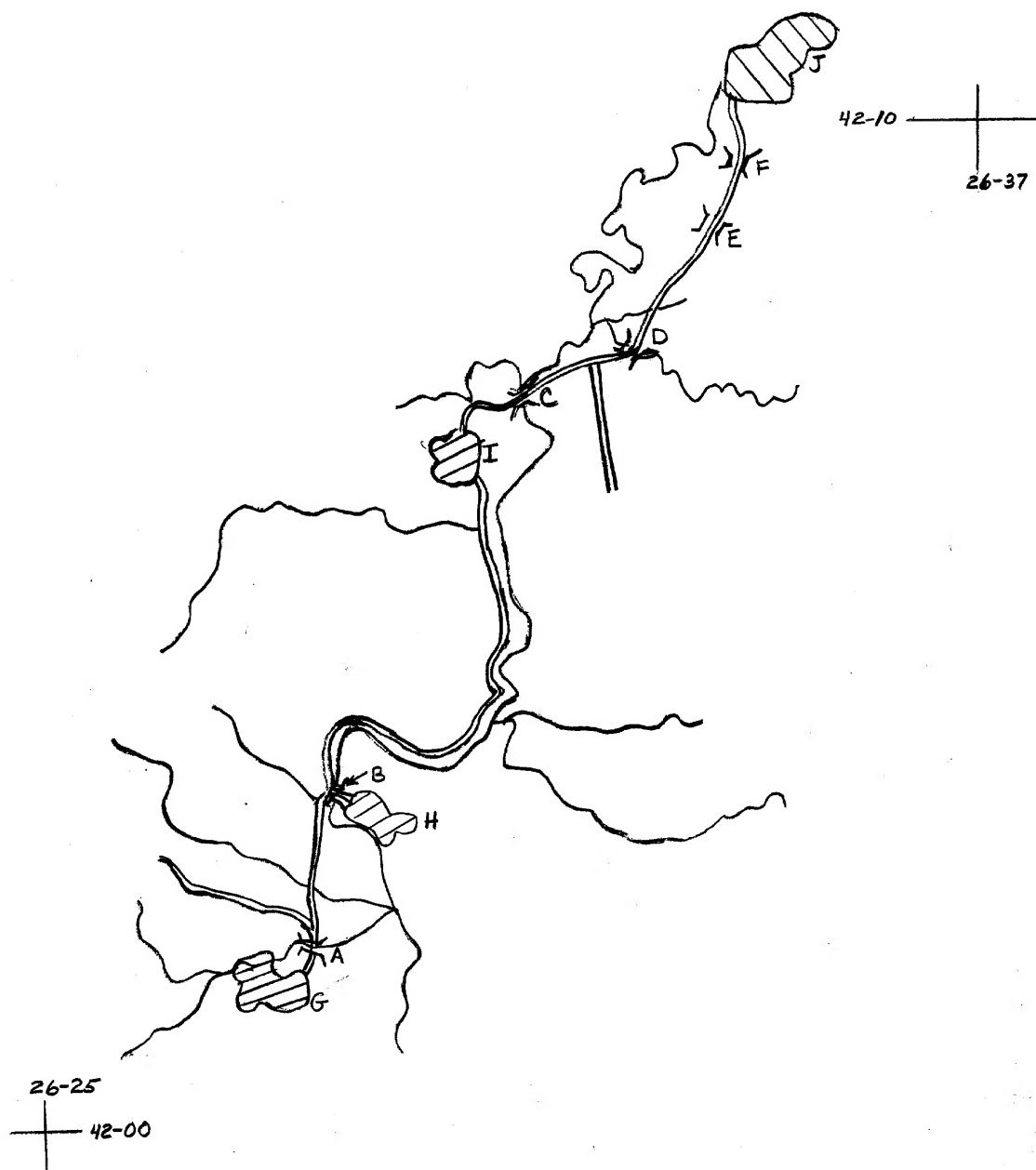
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